

**KELSO CITY COUNCIL**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**APRIL 5, 2005**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

Councilmember Joe Wheeler gave the invocation. Mayor Don Gregory led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Don Gregory. Councilmembers in attendance were: Futchner, Keolker, Wheeler, Chester, Slater, and Gregory. Councilmember McDaniel was absent from the meeting.

**Minutes:**

Upon Motion by Councilmember Chester and seconded by Councilmember Wheeler, 'Approve the minutes of the 3/15/2005 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**PRESENTATION:**

**Bill Weiss, Executive Director of the Cowlitz County Corrections Department,** gave a presentation on corrections programs in the jail division from the 2004 Annual Report.

**PUBLIC HEARING – JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (JAG) GRANT:**

Chief Wayne Nelson explained the JAG Grant, which is in the amount of \$13,040. This grant will take the place of some of the Local Law Enforcement Block Grants that have been eliminated. Mayor Gregory opened the Public Hearing at 7:18 p.m. There was no response from the public and the Public Hearing was closed at 7:19 p.m. Chief Nelson made a recommendation to use this grant to install a security system around the Police Station. Money left over would be used to cover ongoing costs for crisis intervention training for officers. Upon Motion by Councilmember Futchner and seconded by Councilmember Keolker, '**Authorize Use of the JAG Grant Funds to Install a Security System and Use Excess Funds for Crisis Intervention Training.**' motion carried, all voting yes.

**MOTION ITEMS:**

**Ordinance No. 05-3563 - Amending Ordinance No. 3008 Regulating Private Investigators:** The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed Ordinance by title only. Upon Motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember Keolker, 'Pass on 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, 'AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KELSO AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3008, CODIFIED AS KMC 5.40, REGULATING THE LICENSING OF PRIVATE DETECTIVES,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**Approve Update on 2001 Use Agreement with Cowlitz 2 Fire and Rescue:** Public Works Director David Sypher explained the updated agreement is for use of property located at 2300 Parrott Way. Upon Motion by Councilmember Wheeler and seconded by Councilmember Chester, 'Approve the Update on 2001 Use Agreement with Cowlitz 2 Fire and Rescue.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

**Construction Contract Agreement with Skillings-Connolly, Inc.:** Mayor Gregory explained the need for this contract because the Engineering Department has ten active projects that are currently administered by the City Engineer, who will soon be on a twelve-week leave. Upon Motion by Councilmember Wheeler and Seconded by Councilmember Keolker, 'Approve the Construction Contract Agreement with Skillings-Connolly, Inc., at an estimated cost of \$68,121.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

**Agreement to Purchase Real Property by Cowlitz Sewer Operating Board:** Upon Motion by Councilmember Slater and Seconded by Councilmember Wheeler, 'Approve Agreement to Purchase Real Property by Cowlitz Sewer Operating Board in the amount of \$425,000.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

**Resolution No. 05-891 - Authorizing Disposition of Personal Property Stored at 109 Allen:** The Deputy City Clerk read the proposed Resolution by title only. Upon Motion by Councilmember Futchter and Seconded by Councilmember Chester, 'Approve Resolution No. 05-891, 'A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KELSO, WASHINGTON, DECLARING CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF KELSO TO BE SURPLUS AND DIRECTING THE DISPOSITION THEREOF,' motion carried, all voting yes.

**Award of Construction Contract for Long/Royal Intersection Closure to Brookhart Excavating:** Upon Motion by Councilmember Wheeler and Seconded by Councilmember Keolker, 'Award Construction Contract for Long/Royal Intersection Closure to Brookhart Excavating in the amount of \$41,302.30.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

**Award of Contract for Academy Street Sewerline Replacement to Civil Works NW, Inc.:** Upon Motion by Councilmember Keolker and Seconded by Councilmember Futchter, 'Award Contract for Academy Street Sewerline Replacement to Civil Works NW, Inc., in the amount of 75,075.21, which includes sales tax.' Discussion followed. Motion carried, all voting yes.

#### **STAFF REPORTS:**

**Paul Brachvogel:** No Report

**Kent Anderson:** No Report

**David Sypher:** 1) Mayor Gregory noticed the street lights on Allen Street have been turned on. 2) Mayor Gregory asked about the community stairway in the 700 block of Allen Street. David Sypher reported this issue has been directed to the Parks Department and he will meet with them tomorrow to review their plan.

**Geraldine Veenstra:** No Report

**Wayne Nelson:** 1) Handed out a Meth Initiative Input Questionnaire for public comments. The public can also make comments by leaving a message at (360) 442-7094. 2) I will give my 2004 annual report at the next Council Meeting. 3) Want to introduce some new Police Officers at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Council Meeting.

**Cindy Keeney:** No Report

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

**Alan Slater:** 1) I brought a copy of the Stan Rister Stadium plans. The project is running a little behind. 2) I am concerned about security at Tam O'Shanter Park. Perhaps we need to think about having a caretaker. 3) Last meeting we discussed the City property across from the Rotary Park near Butler Acres School. I would like to suggest the City and the School District put up a "Welcome to the Butler Acres School Zone" sign.

**David Fletcher:** We have had some meetings concerning the Spray Park. Hope the park will be ready in June or July. Rotary is still accepting donations – especially from contractors who would like to donate labor.

**Mark Chester:** No Report

**Joe Wheeler:** No Report

**Jack Keolker:** Hope we will see some progress soon on the Skateboard Park.

**Don Gregory:** 1) Public Disclosures are due April 15<sup>th</sup>. 2) I met the owners of the bead shop on Pine Street. They will be moving to a new location on South Pacific. 3) The Council Retreat will be April 30<sup>th</sup>. 4) At our April 19th Council Meeting we will have a presentation on the Home Program.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

The Council convened into Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss a property issue and possible litigation. At 8:37 p.m. the Council reconvened into Regular Session.

Upon Motion by Councilmember Slater and seconded by Councilmember Keolker, 'Move to Adjourn,' motion carried, all voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

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**MAYOR**

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**DEPUTY CITY CLERK**